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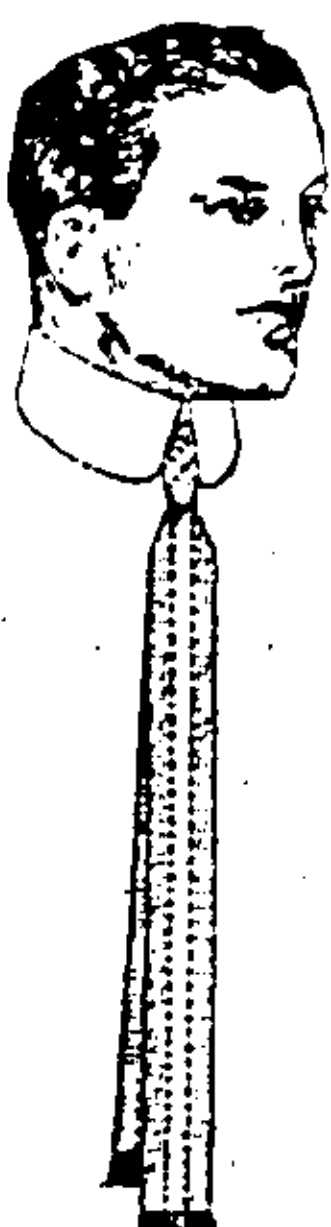
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LLOYD'S REGISTER ANNUAL REPORT.

LONDON, October 31.

The annual report of Lloyd's register shows that new tonnage classed by the Society during the year ending June 30 decreased 25 per cent. compared with the same period in 1919-1920. Following a great decrease in new orders during 1920 and 1921 there has been such extensive reductions in the plans submitted to the Society in recent months as to indicate an unprecedented slump. In new tonnage 112 oil tankers were built during 1920-21 equal to 18 per cent. of the total tonnage, while 333 new ships, or 58 per cent. were fitted with oil burning boilers. For the first time in the Society's history more oil burners than coal burners were built.

AMERICA'S EUROPEAN WAR CREDITS.

BRITAIN NOT SUGGESTING CANCELLATION.

LONDON, October 31.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Gideon Murray, Sir Robert Horne, Chancellor of the Exchequer, stated that the Government was not communicating with the American Government with regard to cancellation of European war debts. He gathered from the press that no economic questions would be taken up at the Washington Conference. He declared that public discussion of these questions tended to create rather than allay difficulties.

COMMONS DEBATE IRISH CONFERENCE.

PREMIER DEFEATS UNIONIST ATTACK.

LONDON, October 31.

There was a large attendance in the House of Commons on the occasion of the full-dress debate on a resolution disapproving the Government's action in entering the Irish peace negotiations with Sinn Fein. Colonel J. Greston led the attack. He denied that the resolution was tantamount to a vote of censure and declared that Irish Republicans were gradually ousting the King's Government from Ireland. He advocated that rebels be severely dealt with. The speech evoked frequent cheering.

The Premier, who was assured the support of Labour members, the Independent Liberals and the majority of Coalitionists, strenuously defended the Government in its attempts to exhaust every means of bringing about a peaceful settlement consistent with the safety and honour of the British Empire. He said that if the conference broke down—and it might—the first thing the Government would have to ask the House was considerably to strengthen the crown forces in Ireland.

LATER.

In the House of Commons the dissentient Unionist motion was rejected by 139 votes to 43.

BOMB EXPLODES IN ARCHITECT'S HOUSE.

COMMUNIST DEATH SENTENCE PROTEST.

HAVANA, October 31.

A bomb exploded in the house of an architect named Fernando Veadnes causing considerable damage. The police believe that the outrage may be connected with extremists' threats against Major General Crowder and the United States Legation in connection with the case of Sacco and Vanzetti.

AGRICULTURAL LABOUR HOURS.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE'S DECISION.

GENEVA, October 31.

The International Labour Conference has approved a joint resolution by the British, Dutch and Italian Governments that regulation of the hours of agricultural labour should be inserted in the agenda of a future session.

ALLIES AND HUNGARY.

WARNING TO LITTLE ENTENTE.

LONDON, October 31.

It is announced in London that the Little Entente has been informed that the Great Powers will strongly disapprove of active intervention against Hungary at present.

POINCARÉ IN LONDON.

PARIS, October 31.

Former President Poincaré has arrived in London as the guest of the London University.

BRITISH TREATY WITH TIBET.

HERMIT NATION COURTS CIVILISATION.

CALCUTTA, October 31.

Lord Ronaldshay, Governor of Bengal, Raja Sikkim, and Major Bailey, former British agent at Gyantse in Tibet, met at Phari Mr. Bell, former political officer at Sikkim who has been at Lhasa over a year on a special mission clearing up the tangled relations of Tibet, China and Britain. According to Mr. Bell's report the Tibetans now appear anxious to open their country to modern civilisation and are willing to enter into a semi-direct treaty with Britain as they are alarmed at the approach of Bolshevik emissaries to Tibet through Chinese Turkestan, the deposition of Hutuktu in Mongolia and the growth of Soviet influence in Mongolia. It is reported that Mr. Bell outlined the terms of a treaty which will satisfy the aspirations of Tibetans for wider intercourse with India and allay their fears of Bolshevik aggression.

SPIRIT OF COMRADESHIP.

A GREAT WAR LESSON.

KANSAS CITY, October 31.

Earl Beatty, addressing a convention of the American Legion, said that comradeship was the great lesson of the war. The spirit which animated our fighters must animate the nations. Referring to the union between the British and American naval forces under his command, Earl Beatty said the American sailors absorbed their admiral's conception of comradeship so thoroughly that in the North Sea operations British ships were as often commanded by American admirals as American ships were commanded by British admirals.

NO INFLUENCE SPHERES IN CHINA.

NEW INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION POLICY.

LONDON, October 31.

In the House of Commons, replying to Sir Arthur Yeo, Mr. Cecil Harmsworth, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, stated that the policy of spheres of influence in China has been superseded by a policy of international co-operation. Further development of this policy will doubtless be discussed at the Washington Conference.

AMERICA'S CONFERENCE DELEGATES.

AMBASSADOR'S RANK GRANTED.

WASHINGTON, October 31.

The rank of ambassador has been given to the American delegates at the forthcoming conference.

AMERICAN TROOPS ON THE RHINE.

HARDING OPPOSES WITHDRAWAL.

WASHINGTON, October 31.

Conferring with Mr. Foster, Chairman of the House of Representatives foreign-affairs committee, President Harding intimated that he was opposed to any resolution providing for immediate withdrawal of the American troops from the Rhine.

AMERICAN TRADE REVIEW.

DISTINCTLY ENCOURAGING ELEMENTS.

WASHINGTON, October 31.

The Federal Reserve Board's review for October notes distinctly encouraging elements in the general situation, particularly in textiles. It also shows an improvement in the demand for raw wool and cotton goods, but only a limited revival in the iron and steel trades.

AMERICAN LEGION.

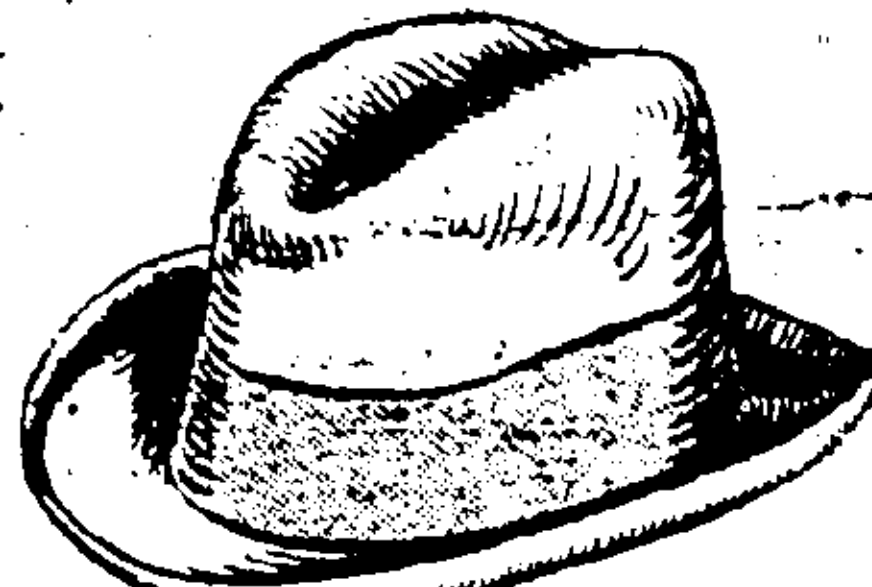
CONVENTION'S BRILLIANT OPENING.

KANSAS CITY, October 31.

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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, Nov. 1, 1921.

OUR WAR MEMORIAL JOKE.

When we tell visitors Hongkong's great war memorial joke, they have done laughing. They always wind up by saying: "Very funny, indeed, that. But now tell us what are the facts? What really happened?" It is thus that a plain and unvarnished recital of the bare facts impresses them. It is too funny to be true, they think. First, like everybody else, we decided to have a war memorial. The public as it was recognized that the public must pay for it, was invited to send in suggestions to a body of men who had practically chosen themselves for the job of deciding. Out of a welter of suggestions—many of which were reminiscent of the amusing instance of benevolence narrated by our contributor "Scriptax" in an excellent article appearing elsewhere in this issue—there loomed up largest the idea of a Club for soldiers and sailors. Somewhere there was a big sum of money lying earmarked for the building of a Y.M.C.A., and somebody hit on the idea of combining the service club and the Y.M.C.A. That fetched up the great Beer Controversy. A gallant member of the Navy said he could not support any scheme which debauched his lads from a drop of beer when they wanted it, and the Y.M.C.A. people, who had willingly come into the War Memorial conspiracy, stood to their principle that the vile liquor could not be sheltered beneath their flag. Blessed are the peacemakers! Along came

one to suggest two wings, with separate entrances, one for beer drinkers, the other for them that scorn it. The humorist said he knew which entrance would be busiest. The thing was as good as settled that way, except for the Battle of the Suez, in which the havoc was tremendous. Then that was announced settled. Tempus fugit. In this case it flew and flew, and kept on flying, and nothing more happened. Some of the newspapers developed a subsidiary joke, which took the form of asking if and when we were to have a memorial. Then the War Memorial Committee did something like Ireland, and developed a Sinn Fein and an Ulster division. The Ulsterites came out strongly for a cenotaph on a particular site, and decided accordingly. Subscription lists were opened throughout the Colony, and again time rolled on. Quite casually, without any announcement to the public or notification to the Press, the industrious gentlemen who usually discharge these functions for us (by divine right, some say) got together in a private room, and decided that all was off bar the cenotaph, and that it was now necessary to decide what to do with the rest of the money, subscribed or promised. A nursing home? Good idea! They would have that. Up to date, the controversy as to whether the Home shall be open to Europeans and Chinese, or to Europeans only, has not got fairly started, but it is coming. Meanwhile, Hongkong looks like being in the thick of the next war before it memorializes the last.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A new dock is to be built by the Kiangnan Dock and Engineering Co. Work begins to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Mackintosh, were among the passengers arriving here by the "Mentor."

To-morrow morning at ten o'clock Messrs. Hughes and Hough will commence a big auction of Government stores.

Five persons were killed and six buildings destroyed as the result of a fire lasting nearly five hours in a Canton street yesterday morning.

The United States Public Health Service (American Quarantine Office) have removed to the Bank of China Buildings, second floor, No. 4 Queen's Road Central.

Among other local celebrations in honour of the Japanese Emperor's birthday, a concert for the Japanese community was held in the City Hall, which was gallantly decorated with lanterns for the occasion.

Professor Paul Monroe, of Columbia University, who is studying educational conditions in China, is now visiting Canton. He was much impressed by the changes made since his previous visit in 1917.

Canton is preparing to welcome General Chen Ching-ming who is expected to arrive back from Nanning on November 6. Among other celebrations in his honour will be a banquet at the Treasury Building and a lantern parade.

The Siam lottery business is rapidly becoming an international scandal. The Bangkok Times states: "It is now rumoured the big lottery will be drawn, not in November as announced, but at the next Chitlada Fair, which takes place at the end of the year, says the Siam Echo."

Mr. T. Orton has been appointed General Manager and Director of Messrs. Moller & Co., (Hongkong) Ltd., in place of Mr. S. T. Williamson, resigned. Mr. S. T. Williamson announces that he has established himself as ship-agent, coal and general merchant.

A report prepared by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha says that steamer passengers to and from England totalled 307,000 during the six months ending last July. Of this number, 187,000 passengers sailed from Great Britain, while 120,000 passengers were taken to that country by steamers.

"We drink for the success of the expedition to-night and we will drink again in Peking in celebration of the unification of China before long." This is the toast Dr. Sun Yat-sen is reported to have called at a dinner given in his honour in the Nanning residence of the defeated Kwangsi militarist Lu Yung-tung.

A clean bill of health was returned for the Colony for the 48 hours ended yesterday. Last week there were reported three cases of paratyphoid fever, one French and the others Chinese; two of enteric fever, one British (imported), and the other Chinese; and one of scarlet fever, British. Four Chinese died from influenza (not notifiable).

The Prince of Wales' visit to Ceylon will last four days. The general idea is that the visit should be a pleasant interlude in the Eastern Tour, and there should be no mass of official functions. The second day is set apart for recreation. There are likely to be two parades of ex-service men, at Colombo and at Kandy. Special attention is to be paid to the children's point of view. No money is to be squandered on elaborate caskets to contain addresses of welcome. An elephant krali is suggested. And a public subscription.

CANTON'S PROGRESS.

FINE NEW KINEMA THEATRE OPENED.

If Canton, can boast many things of great antiquity it can also boast not a few modern to the last detail. Latest addition of the latter is a handsome new cinema house on the bund opening to-day under the management of the Hongkong Amusement Co. Ltd. With a seating accommodation of six hundred, the Pearl Theatre, it takes its name from the small island just opposite—is unquestionably one of the finest theatres in the southern capital. Comfortable seats, special pictures, and scrupulous cleanliness should earn the appreciation of Shamen residents who will now be able to see productions hitherto impossible to screen in Canton.

IN THE SOCIAL SWIM.

(BY A LADY WHO IS)

The main social event of the week was Colonel Clement Smith's wedding, which took place on Wednesday. The Rev. M. Shewell officiated, the best man being Major Wakefield. The officers present crossed swords outside the church, and flowers were strewn in front of the happy pair by Michael Young, and the Misses Smalley and Greenway. The bride was dressed in champagne colour, with a big picture hat and carried a bouquet of red roses. The streets from the church to the 22nd Punjab Mess were lined by men of the Regiment in spotless white, who greeted the procession with crackers. The Native Officers were all present in full uniform, and at the reception presented the bride and groom with the bride in token of fealty. Amongst the guests, who were received by Mr. Johnson, were H. E. the Governor and Lady Stubbs, Lt. General Sir George and Lady Kirkpatrick, the Hon. Dr. Claud and Mrs. Severn, the Commodore and Mrs. Bowden-Smith, Colonel and Mrs. Wyndham, Colonel and Mrs. Taylor, Colonel Nicholson, and of course all the officers of the Regiment. The honeymoon is being spent in North China.

Another wedding of interest to those of us who know Shanghai, or who go racing, took place in Shanghai recently when the well known amateur jockey, Mr. S. B. M. Bremner, brother of Mrs. Wilson, was married to a well known resident, Miss Marvyn Liddell. (Congratulations to Mr. Syme Thomson, whose wife presented him with a son on the 25th and to Captain Corbin, who is the proud father of a daughter.)

A certain newcomer to the Colony had been rather getting on the nerves of the Bridge Players by his use of extravagant American expressions. Amongst others, he invariably enunciated "By me, kid," in a strong nasal twang when he wished to pass the declaration. After he had said this two or three times in succession, the grey-haired onlooker could stand it no longer. "Buy you," he snorted, as he rose from his chair, "I shouldn't think any one would give much for you, judging by the way you've played the last few hands!"

Going down in the tram one Saturday morning recently, I noticed a man anxiously searching the pages of one of your contemporaries. He did not seem to find what he wanted, and, folding up the paper, he began to hum the well-known air "Alice, where art thou?" Now what did he mean by that?

We congratulate the eight "competitors, who all completed the course in the Ladies' Harbour race on Monday, and especially Miss Gladys Ramsey, the winner. It is a pity Miss Ruby Young, last year's victor, could not compete owing to indisposition, or there might have been a very close finish, as her time was just a shade better, some fifty seconds, I think, than Miss Ramsey's. But of course that proves nothing as the conditions of tide etc. must vary.

Curiously the two "placed" Miss Wiltchell and Mrs. Richmond were the same as last year, but Miss Wiltchell who was third last year, was easily second this time. There was a crowd of spectators, both at the Victoria Recreation Club and on the Praya, while many people—of whom I am glad to say I was one—followed the race in launches. On Tuesday last year's winner, J. R. Johnson, was again very easily. He is a very fine swimmer indeed. At the conclusion after a speech by Mr. Claud Severn, the General presented the prizes at the Victoria Recreation Club and in the evening there was a water carnival and dance, when a most enjoyable evening was spent.

There was a large audience at the City Hall on Monday afternoon to hear the piano recital given by Mr. Harry Orr. Not being Sir Boyle Roche's bird, and therefore unable to be in two places at once, I was not present. In any case, it was too classical for me, all seventeenth and eighteenth century music, but a musical friend of mine, who was there, told me it was a real treat, and she hoped not to miss one of the eight recitals promised. The next one is due for November 7.

There are twenty-eight entrants for the Golf Championship (men's) which comes off next month, the final to be played on November 20. I hear there is quite a boom in Polo at present, and a fair chunker American tournament is in progress, every team to play every other. To give the game a chance only half the team i.e. two chukkers are played each afternoon. I wonder why so few of us ever go down to watch Polo. I suppose because there is so much to do. I am afraid I must plead guilty to never going myself, but whenever I have passed in a car, there never seem to be more than three or four ladies looking on. In the North, there was always a large attendance. The ground is quite easy of access, too, as the Cause-

BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE.

DEPOSITORS HAVE KEEN EYES.

Has M. Montargis, manager of the Banque Industrielle de Chine, gone on a journey? A correspondent, "Onlooker," states that he has. Mentioning also that the Swatow manager of the same bank has taken a trip home, "Onlooker" wonders how it's done, with the Banque in such low water. We suppose the answer to be that now's their chance. With nothing to do, pending the re-opening of the bank, why shouldn't they take holiday? Still, we admit that to people kept waiting for their savings, it must be aggravating to think of these bank officials carrying on as usual.

COMING MARRIAGES.

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:—
Mr. J. C. Lan of the Colonial Secretary's Office, to Miss Susan Nancy Kotalow of No. 16, Stanton Street.
Mr. J. H. H. Swart, merchant, living at the Hongkong Hotel, to Miss Johanna Jeanette Marie Bleskney of Singapore.

way Ray tram lands one almost on the spot.

I saw a remarkable film at the Coronet the other night. (Incidentally H.E. and party had selected the same night to go, but that was a coincidence.) It was in short "The Whispering Chorus." It is a very powerful and impressive story, if somewhat gruesome in parts. I also very greatly enjoyed the local pictures of Hongkong. But they rather gave one to think. Now, suppose, Mr. Editor (oh, all right, I'll leave you out if you wish)—well, suppose I had told my husband I was going to lunch and play bridge with Mr. X. and then we went to the cinema and he saw me in my gladiolus rags going into the Hongkong Hotel with young Y.—or suppose Y.'s wife saw us—she's a regular cat, that woman—well, I mean it would be rather difficult to explain, wouldn't it? I think if people want to take films in Hongkong, Government ought to pass an Ordinance, or Order in Council, or whatever they call it, that a notice should be published at least a week beforehand, stating time date and place. Then one can arrange.

In order to prevent overcrowding at the Peak Club dances, which was undoubtedly marked last season, new regulations have been introduced. If you want to go to all five you have to pay \$25. You're permitted to ask two guests for this, but they must not be Club members, unless they are also subscribers to the dances. As practically everyone asked is a member of the Club, it seems that one has to pay twice over. You can't ask a member unless he has already subscribed, so there you are! Probably quite a good idea for the finances of the Peak Club (That's one for you Mr. J.—B—y), but seems a bit hard on members. If on the other hand, you don't want to subscribe, and, after all in Hongkong with so much going on, everyone does not want to bind himself three months in advance, you have to pay \$10, for each dance, to which certainly you can ask two guests. Personally I think it is much nicer to have the impromptu idea. Last year we used to think about three days beforehand, "Oh! what about the Peak Club dance?" Then one got busy at the "phone, had a small dinner party and went on. I am not—naturally—a member of the U.S.R.C., but I fancy that was the way things were worked there. In any case I don't think I missed one of their dances last winter, and we were nearly always asked at the last moment. And most cheery dances too! Which reminds me that the first dance took place there last Saturday. I had hoped to have gone, but when your better (?) half talks about early trains to Fanling, and missing that horrible last tram up to the Peak, what are you to do?

I hear the British Legion are giving a Cabaret dance at the City Hall on November 4, also that the Centipedes—that most mysterious Confraternity of Bachelors—are giving their first dance on December 14. The latter is always exciting. You get—or don't get—your invitations, but you never know who your host is. However, it is advisable to bring your invitation with you, because last year—well, Mr. Editor, it's only what my own pet Centipede told me, and that's not libellous, is it?

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ASTOR HOUSE TRAGEDY.

CORONAL INQUIRY HELD.

CONTINUATION OF MRS. CAPDULA.

The circumstances under which Mrs. Capdula killed her husband with a razor at the Astor Hotel last August were recapitulated at the Magistrate's yesterday afternoon when an inquiry into the tragedy took place before Mr. G. N. Orme, as Coroner, and a jury consisting of Messrs H. W. Ray (foreman), E. B. Raymond and F. A. Wells. Mr. Leo D'Almada appeared for Mrs. Capdula and Inspector Watt represented the police.

At the beginning of the inquiry the Coroner said: It was thought best that an inquiry should be held into the circumstances attending the death of the Philippine Islands—Luis Coma Capdula—who met his death in the Astor House Hotel two months ago, and whose widow is now detained in the Lunatic Asylum. The two parties are subjects of the Philippine Islands and there is a question whether the widow should be sent back there. That would depend upon negotiations with the Philippine Government, but, in the meantime, in order that the impression should not be given that the matter is being hushed up, it was felt that it should be properly investigated by a jury. You are asked, first, to decide as to the cause of death. An additional question arises which is not directly for you to decide—the sanity of the woman now in the asylum. You may add a rider on that subject if you desire.

Medical evidence was tendered by Dr. H. H. Scott, who made a *post mortem* examination of the deceased, and by Dr. W. B. A. Moore who is in charge of the Lunatic Asylum where Mrs. Capdula was sent on August 14, the day after the tragedy occurred. He said that when admitted she was in a very depressed and apathetic state, kept moaning continually, and would not reply to questions. Her condition had improved steadily since then but on August 23 he certified her as suffering from insanity and she was still at the Asylum.

Details of the tragedy were furnished by Mr. Marcel Vaz, an assistant at the Astor House and Inspector Watt. Mr. Vaz said that the deceased whom he had known for ten years arrived from Manila with his wife on August 5. Three days later the deceased took her to the French hospital and afterwards remained on at the hotel alone. He told witness that he had come here expressly on account of his wife's health as she was suffering from insomnia and unsound mind. Mr. Capdula indicated that he was going to return to Manila but on August 12 Sergeant Carpenter brought along Mrs. Capdula who was waving a \$50 note in her hand and acting strangely. The deceased then said he could not go back to Manila as his wife had got out of hospital.

After telling the jury how, on hearing a cry of "Help" shortly after 11 a.m. on August 13 he rushed upstairs and saw Mr. Capdula, bleeding from a wound in the throat, holding onto Mrs. Capdula who had a razor in her hand, Mr. Vaz said that when Inspector Watt arrived to investigate the matter he acted as interpreter. After the Inspector had arrested Mrs. Capdula and duly cautioned her, she said: "He forced me to sign a paper which I did not want to, and I stabbed him." She added: "The doctor gave an injection which made me lose my head."

The Foreman wanted to know if any document had been found and Inspector Watt stated that he had come across a questionnaire which was the usual one required before a passport to Manila was issued.

Inspector Watt said inquiries had disclosed that the deceased first booked a single passage for herself to Manila and then, when Mrs. Capdula had come out of the hospital, he cancelled it. Half an hour before he died he had been to a shipping office to book two passages to Manila from which it appeared that he intended taking his wife back there. In reply to a question put to him by the Foreman the Inspector said there was no reason the police knew of why Mrs. Capdula should have been afraid to go back to Manila. She had relatives there.

Sergeant Carpenter gave evidence about finding Mrs. Capdula in a ricksha at Causeway Bay, after she had left the French Hospital. She was offering a \$50 note to anyone who could change it, her hair was down and her dress was in disorder. All she could say was "Astor House" and "Post Office" so he took her to the hotel by tram.

Dr. Souza, who attended Mrs. Capdula on August 12 at the hotel, said that was the first time he saw her. Mr. Capdula told him she was nervous and suffering from sleeplessness so he prescribed bromides. He concluded that her mental condition was serious and next day, as she was said to have had hardly two hours' sleep, he gave her an injection of a

OUR WAR MEMORIAL.

SOME PERTINENT REFLECTIONS.

[By Scriptax.]

I once knew a man who was what people generally call a bookworm. He was lawyer's clerk, on a salary of five pounds a week, and what of his spare cash was not dissolved in beer was invested in books. But he was worse than that—when he wanted to mollify his wife with a peace offering he used to take her home a book he hadn't read but wanted to.

Somewhat I was reminded of him when I read the other day the War Memorial Committee's announcement of what it proposes to do with the money left over after the cenotaph has been paid for. They have been long in labour, that committee, but, from comments one has heard on the subject, they seem not to have produced a particularly well favoured offspring. They reckon to have a surplus of about \$145,000 (representing subscriptions paid and promised) to play with and they propose that this sum should be put towards the erection of a nursing home where the general community may receive treatment and, incidentally, pay for it.

Now no one will dispute that a nursing home is a very useful institution to have in the Colony—much more useful, as a matter of fact, than a cenotaph. But how does the Committee's notion of what is an appropriate solution of the problem square with the purpose for which the money was subscribed? The idea, I take it, was to offer the ex-service men some tangible proof, beyond flag waving and platitudes, that we esteem them for what they did and suffered for us in the war. True it is that our "slight token of appreciation," as the phrase goes, can only be a ridiculously slight one but, such as it is, why not give it to them for their own and not indirectly to ourselves?

It seems to me a pity that the committee did not have a word with the ex-service men themselves about it. There is an ex-service men's organisation here—a branch of the British Legion. Why should the committee not have gone to that body and said: "We want to give you something to show you what we think of the services of you and your comrades. We expect to have about so much—What would you like us to do with it?" The ex-service men could have called a general meeting then to discuss the question and we would have got an idea what they really thought about it themselves. If there are any known cases of distress among them or their families here—I believe there are some—the money might well have gone to swell the Legion's relief funds. It is not unlikely that, as the *Morning Post* suggested yesterday, they might have felt that the need of comrades elsewhere was greater than their own.

Public committees like this, as everybody knows, generally have a pretty thankless task. But I believe their job would be made easier and their efforts more successful if they drew up the blinds when they were working out these schemes and let in the light of public opinion upon them. I have never been in a place where the public are permitted to know so little about things they have the keenest interest in. I think that must be the real reason why the community spirit in Hongkong is such a puny infant. It doesn't get a chance to grow.

Experience teaches that, now things have got to the present stage, the committee's scheme will probably go through without much open protest from anybody. But I think it should be insisted upon that the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird's suggestion for free treatment for ex-service men—and surely their families, too—be given effect to. The Chairman's reply to Mr. Bird's query was an assurance that it would receive "sympathetic consideration." His reply should have been—"Yes, of course."

quarrel of a gain of morphia. He advised that the hotel was not the proper place for her and the husband insisted that she wished to take her away to Manila. Dr. Souza said he thought his sudden appearance before her, when he was called in to attend Mr. Capdula after the tragedy suggested the remark she made about the injection.

Summing up to the Jury the Coroner remarked that the case did not seem to admit of any reasonable doubt: there was no question but they must find that the deceased's death was caused by the act of his wife and they could add any rider as to her mental condition.

After a short retirement, the Jury returned the following verdict:—
We find that the deceased died as the result of wounds inflicted by his wife, and are of opinion that she was of unsound mind at the time of her action.

MOTORISTS FINED.

RECKLESS DRIVING CHARGES.

ALLEGED STREET OBSTRUCTION.

Magistrate Lindsell had a heavy list of motor prosecutions before him at traffic time this morning. The drivers of several cars were heavily fined for reckless driving.

Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton appeared for a Chinese youth named King Luk charged with driving motor car No. 563 at an excessive speed and obstruction on Caine Road by leaving the car on the side of the road.

Mr. Brutton suggested that evidence should be taken first and then he would decide what to plead as he did not know the facts of the case at the moment.

With regard to the first charge, Sergt. Hallam said that about 4.10 p.m., on October 12, he was walking on Bonham Road coming towards town. When a little distance East of the Ying Wah College, he saw motor car No. 563 which was being driven by the defendant come round the bend towards him at about 15 miles an hour. Although the road was congested with schoolboys who had just come out of school, the defendant did not slow down or sound his horn when making the bend. Witness signalled him to stop but the defendant did not do so. The bend was within the 10 mile control area.

By Mr. Brutton: The offence was committed about 50 yards East of the University. The triangle denoting the end of the area was on the west side of the University, at the foot of the incline which begins Pokfulam Road.

Mr. Brutton said that his client was under the impression that he was outside the area when he speeded. He had no option but to plead guilty to that charge.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$20.

Giving evidence with regard to the second charge, Inspector Reynolds said that about 7.10 p.m., on the same day he passed car No. 563 on Caine Road, it was drawn up close in on the side of the road at the top of Shingwong Street just on the bend before coming to the Police Quarters. All the lights on the car were not burning. An amah was sitting in the back of the car. He pointed out to obstruction to her and told her to fetch her master. She had been away about five minutes when a man who spoke English came along. He told the witness that the driver of the car was having "chow" and witness waited another five minutes and then as the driver still did not come he went away after having instructed C.C. 95 to stand by till the driver came and report to him on the following day. The next day the witness reported to Inspector Garrod and obtained a summons against the defendant.

The road, added the witness was rather narrow at this particular spot and the car was right on the bend. It was in such a position that another car making the bend would not notice it until almost on it.

By Mr. Brutton: The car was drawn up into the gutter. The total width of the road at this spot was 24ft. from curb to curb. The actual width excluding the channels was 18ft. 10 ins.

Mr. Brutton: The width of the car is 5ft. 6 ins.
Witness: I don't know.
Inspector Garrod: I will admit that.

Mr. Brutton: So that after taking out the width of this car there remains another 14ft. 10ins. or 15ft. for other cars to pass?—About 14 ft.

So that there was ample room for two more cars to pass side by side?—Not ample. While I was there two cars came in opposite Directions and one had to pull up behind the defendant's car to let the other pass.

The Magistrate: Surely that is obstruction, Mr. Brutton.

Mr. Brutton said that a person had a right to have his car king outside his house if drawn up as close to the side of the road as possible, as this one admittedly was. It was impossible to put the car back into the garage after every run. Merely because one driver was so careful as to pull up to allow another to pass, did not prove obstruction on his client's part. There was ample room for two cars to pass each other if driven carefully.

Replying to the Magistrate, Inspector Garrod said that this summons was brought because the car was parked in the narrowest part of Caine Road without light. This was dangerous as other cars would not know it was there. Had the car been parked to the west of the bend at the top of Ladder Street, where the road was wider there would have been no prosecution.

Mr. Brutton suggested that a caption would meet this charge and the Magistrate agreed.

CONTROL AREA INCIDENT.

DRIVER'S INSULTING BEHAVIOUR.

Mr. R. E. Webster appeared on behalf of Mr. F. S. Harrison, manager of the South British Insurance Company to prosecute Harry Kong, driver of motor car No. 555. Kong was summoned for having driven the car at Aberdeen, at 6.30 p.m., on October 13, in a reckless manner, and for having behaved in an abusive manner, using insulting words and behaviour towards Mr. Harrison.

Outlining his case, Mr. Webster said that Mr. Harrison was returning from Repulse Bay. Entering the control area at Aberdeen, he slowed down to the required speed. At the time there were no other cars behind him, but half way through the area, the defendant's car came up behind, and hanging only five yards behind, sounded its horn incessantly in an attempt to edge Mr. Harrison's driver to go faster. Mr. Harrison refused to increase his speed. When they got to the wide stretch opposite the new motor bus garage, the defendant passed him at a speed of about 20 miles an hour. Mr. Harrison calling out that he was not allowed to pass him in a control area. The defendant made some inaudible reply and carried on. When Mr. Harrison reached to the gates of the cemetery immediately outside the control area, the defendant's car was drawn up on the side of the road. The defendant walked up to Mr. Harrison and said to him in a most offensive tone: "Who are you to shout at me like that. You sit there and think you are the king of the road and no one can pass you. I can pass any one on the road, even the Governor if I like." Mr. Harrison resented the defendant's words and drove off. The defendant speeded after him and again passed him. Just then Inspector Marks came along and Mr. Harrison reported the matter to him. The defendant again used the remarks complained of in the presence of the Inspector.

Mr. Harrison corroborated and said that he was going at 30 miles until he got to the area when he slowed down to 13. The defendant passed him in the area at fully 20 miles per hour.

Inspector Marks said that the defendant said to him "This chap was crawling along at seven miles and would not let me pass." He then addressed Mr. Harrison in the words complained of.

The defendant said that he was going at 15 miles when he passed Mr. Harrison. He admitted that that was in excess of the control speed, but he was not aware that he was in a control area, the road being wide where he passed Mr. Harrison. If he had broken a rule of the road, he would ask his Worship to impose a nominal fine. With regard to the other charge, he said that he spoke roughly to Mr. Harrison because he was annoyed at the way the latter shouted at him. He had driven many years in Australia and four years in Hongkong and had never got into trouble before.

Mr. Webster said that the first charge was a prima facie case of speeding in a control area, and he would press for a heavy penalty. With regard to the other charge, Mr. Harrison was willing to let it drop.

The Magistrate (to defendant): Are you prepared to apologise to the complainant?—Yes. As a matter of fact I went to his office on the following day to apologise, but he turned me out.

A fine of \$20 was imposed on the charge of reckless driving, the other summons was dismissed.

FINED FOR SPEEDING.
Mr. Bell Irving's chauffeur was charged with having driven motor car 270 in a reckless manner in Wanchai.

Sergt. Smith said he was standing outside the Dragon Garage's Wanchai depot when the defendant drove past along Tinlok Lane at 25 miles an hour. When he stopped, defendant admitted the offence and asked for a chance.

The defendant now said he was going at 11 miles. The Magistrate believed the sergeant and fined the defendant \$20.

SUMMONS DISMISSED.

Mr. A. E. Hall mentioned a case in which the driver of car No. 56 was charged with having driven the car after 1 a.m. without a permit. When the case was called, the Indian constable in charge of it failed to appear. The Magistrate dismissed the summons and ordered the constable to be placed on report.

PEDESTRIAN'S RIGHTS.

POLICE INSPECTOR'S CLAIM.

Inspector Cashman summoned the driver of motor car No. 335 for

SHIPPING.

IMPORTANT CASE.

JUDGMENT FOR BANK.

Judgment was delivered on October 11, by the Italian Consular Court, at Shanghai in the case in which the Banque Belge pour l'Etranger sued the Societe de Navigation Lloyd Triestino to recover Y.20,500 with interest at 8 per cent. per annum from February 1st, 1921, the value of goods delivered erroneously by the defendants to Messrs. W. Fay & Co. against a letter of guarantee.

The case was heard before Messrs. R. Ferrajola, Judge, A. Clerici and E. A. Colombo, assessors. M. Nouveau appearing for the plaintiffs and Chev. G. D. Musso for the defendants.

The Court in its decision found that the defendants transported from Moji to Shanghai 2,000 barrels of cement under a bill of lading issued in the name of the bank and dated October 22nd 1920.

On October 23 there was presented to the Shanghai branch of the Lloyd Triestino a document in the following terms.

SHANGHAI, Oct. 26, 1920.
Messrs. Lloyd Triestino. Agents
s.s. "Africa."

Dear Sirs,
In consideration of your granting us delivery of the undetained goods per s.s. "Africa" from Moji, we hereby guarantee to hold you harmless from all consequences that may arise therefrom and to hand you bill of lading duly endorsed on receipt thereof in exchange for this letter of guarantee.

Signed: William Fay & Co.
Particulars:—Two thousand barrels of cement Mark S.

We hereby endorse the guarantee of Messrs. William Fay & Co. and accept the liabilities expressed therein. The goods to be held to our order.

Banque Belge Pour l'Etranger.
Shanghai, October 26th, 1920.
Such a document the Court held to be perfectly in accordance with the custom of the port with which the Lloyd Triestino, by the fact of having considered it as equivalent to a bill of lading, showed intention of conforming. (Although giving it an erroneous interpretation).

Despite the fact that the document bore the clause: "The goods to be held to our order"—that was to say at the disposition of the Banque—the agent of the Lloyd Triestino delivered the goods to William Fay & Co., who took possession of them without satisfying their obligations to the Banque.

The Court held that the order expressed in the clause in question could not be considered as having been given to William Fay & Co., but rather to the Lloyd Triestino to whom the document was addressed. Further it was found that the defendant's agent, even after notification of the error, took no efficacious action to recover possession of the goods for which the defendants were held responsible by the Banque.

The Banque failed to obtain restitution of the goods or payment therefrom from William Fay & Co.

The Court held the defendants liable and ordered them to pay plaintiffs Tls. 11,250.66 the equivalent of the sum claimed in Yen, interest at 8 per cent. from February 1st, 1921, and consular fees.

reckless driving on Caine Road at 6.30 p.m., on October 15.
The Magistrate: What did he do?—He nearly knocked me down.

Proceeding, the Inspector said that he was walking with his wife and one child. Two children were in a chair as near the curb as possible. One child, in fact, was actually walking in the channel. The defendant came from behind and hugging the curb on the left brushed past him as near as possible without knocking him down.

The Magistrate: He did not touch you?—No. If he had I would not be here to tell the tale!

If there had been a stone on the road and witness had stumbled he would have been knocked over.

The Magistrate: If you allow for that you must also allow for the gear getting out of order which would have been an accident and not recklessness.

The Inspector: Then a car can keep close to the side of the road and the pedestrian has no protection? There is no side walk on the road and surely the foot pedestrian should have the right of road in such cases.

The Magistrate: A Car must stop for a pedestrian?

Inspector: No; but the pedestrian keeps to the side of the road it is for the car to keep clear of him more to the centre of the road, which in this case was clear.
Can you cite an authority on the question of pedestrian's right of road? I cannot, but it is common law everywhere.
Really, I have not heard of it, if you can get some support for your contention, I shall be interested to hear it. A caution would meet the offence in this case.

'BOOK CLUB' NOTES.

Recent mails bring advice of the near fulfilment of our desires—the arrival of our own books. Whilst several have arrived—not sufficient to start us going, letters received indicate that orders are having close attention. It should therefore not be long before the full complement is here. Meanwhile a little catalogue is being prepared of the 100 and more books which will be the property of the Club. A note or two on the books ordered may not be out of place.

Fiction of course predominates. We start off with Sinclair Lewis' "Main Street" which has sold over 200,000 copies in America, has brought its author to the fore as a stern critic of his own country, and incidentally earned him the wherewithal to "lie back." Let us hope he deserved it. Another book which has earned commendation is Miss R. Wilson's "The Death of Society," but in quite a different way. This book has gained the Hawthornden prize (£100 we believe, and a medal) for the best work of art of the year. The judges are literary personages of some note and include such names as J. C. Squire. This book has not sold 200,000 copies and probably never will. To those who care to do so the opportunity is presented of comparing the opinion of the public and that of the critics.

Another book which may be compared is Knut Hamsen's "Growth of the Soil," said to have gained for the author the Nobel prize for literature. Names perhaps are more suggestive than titles. Here are a few which figure in our list: Max Beerbohm, Walter de la Mare, Maud Driver, A. Wagh, Hugh Walpole, Compton Mackenzie, Anatole France, F. Brett Young, E. V. Lucas, H. de Vere Stacpoole, Eden Phillpotts, &c.

"Where the Pavement Ends" is a book which has earned a good press, and the writer, with one accord, has been acclaimed a new Kipling—without the banjo, let us hope! Neil Lyons is represented by "A Market Bundle," and it is evident that this will be a popular choice. Those who delight in detective yarns will find "The Mysterious Affair at Styles," "A Case in Camera," and "The Twenty Six Clues" much to their liking. A good spook yarn is "The Man on the other Side." Humour is to the fore in books by Stephen Leacock, George Birmingham, P. G. Wodehouse, and E. Fitzpatrick.

Of the non-fiction books, space forbids any detailed reference. Einstein's "Relativity" is of course included, as well as George Bernard Shaw's latest, Harold Ellis, George Santayana, Bertrand Russell, H. G. Wells, Norman Angell, Hilaire Belloc, Dr. Saleeby, Arnold Bennett are all represented.

The membership of the Club now totals 39.
The Committee is considering the possibility of holding one or two evening meetings during the winter, whilst feelers have gone to England and America regarding the holding of a Book Exhibition in 1922.

No "Literary Bloke" seems to have set foot in Hongkong recently, unless Lord Northcliffe be considered a L. B., he having at least one book to his name. Somerset Maugham is visiting Singapore. His play "The Circle" (a book presented to the Club) is to be performed here shortly. It makes interesting reading. Rumour hath it that Stella Benson will be here in March. There is no news regarding Sir Hall Caine. In deference to a desire for books by popular and recognised authors' his "Master of Man" figures in our list. The Bishop of London says it is the best book that ever was, whilst the advertisements speak well of it. So we shewed it in.

—C. G.

These sloops are merely sloops in name, to distinguish them from gunboats, the term "sloop of war" which was once a well-known one in the Royal Navy—having practically ceased to exist with the abolition of sail power a quarter of a century ago and more. The type is a product of the war, when over 100 of them came into existence, beginning early in 1915. They were used for a variety of work, mine sweeping, mine clearing, patrol work, towing, etc., and early in their career earned a well-deserved reputation for seaworthiness, steadiness in a seaway and adaptability, not to mention the amount of hard knocks and buffeting.

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Interviewed by a China Mail reporter this morning, Mr. R. H. Kotewall, who bought the site for a syndicate, stated that while the Public Works Department regulations permitted a building nine storeys high it had been decided to have eight storeys only, in order that all the floors might be high and airy.

"Our idea," he said, "is to have two banks on the ground floor with entrances from Queen's Road. Each bank will have a frontage of about 50 feet. The remaining part of the ground floor will be let as shops. Already we have received applications for shop premises irrespective of the rent to be charged."

Plans for the other floors had not yet been definitely settled, added Mr. Kotewall, but after his firm had been accommodated, the other rooms would be let as offices or used for any other purpose acceptable.

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J. R. ROSS,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, November 1, 1921.

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BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE.

SHANGHAI COMMENT.

RECONSTRUCTION SCHEMES.

With the French Chamber on the point of assembly we shall probably hear within a very short time something really important about the Banque Industrielle de Chine, and this for two reasons. In the first place French interests in the Far East are so liable to be affected by the future of the bank that very considerable pressure has been brought to bear upon the Government in Paris, and in the second the same Government has acquired a most unfortunate connection with its affairs, says the *N. C. D. News*. Consequently, almost as soon as the Chamber meets, an interpellation is certain to be made, and all the elements of a first rate political crisis will have full play. As indicative of the pressure bearing on the Government from the economic side we need only mention the message sent by the French Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai and by creditors of the bank in meeting assembled. Another of those meetings was held recently. The attitude is strongly taken up that the influence of complete bankruptcy on French commerce would be so disastrous that the Government must act. In the circumstances this is a natural enough demand, but it must be remembered that to secure a vote in the Chamber permitting assistance to be given would at any time be difficult enough, for public bodies are naturally averse to allowing public funds to be used for private enterprise. In the present case, however, the matter is even more perilous for Ministers to propose. There is always that unhappy telegram sent out while the Legation Ministry was in its last moments. M. Lerygues has been acquitted of knowledge of the matter, but the politicians are in full cry after the others. M. Philippe Berthelot, the permanent head of the Department of Foreign Affairs, is a brother of M. Andre Berthelot of the Banque Industrielle, and there is inquiry to be made into what connection existed between the two with reference to those reassuring messages sent out under the auspices of the Government.

The longer this affair of the Banque Industrielle proceeds the more tragic is the situation revealed, and interested parties may justly complain of a lack of candour throughout. When the rumour took place on the bank in Peking about the beginning of the year it was stated locally that the rumours leading to this state of affairs had been circulated by enemies of the bank. This was in keeping with the reassuring telegram above-mentioned and the attitude was no doubt inspired from Paris. For several months after this nothing more was heard by the general public of the bank's position, but at the end of June there were mutterings of the coming storm. In consequence of reports on the Bourse, Peking Syndicate shares fell heavily—the Syndicate is generally understood to possess an interest in the bank—and then on July 1 came the suspension of payment. Rumour now followed rumour. At one time French and British banking groups were believed to be on the point of rendering assistance, and then a French oil company, affiliated to the Standard Oil Company, was spoken of. As late as a week ago the manager of the Hongkong branch of the bank stated on affidavit that the Banque de Paris et des Pays Bas hoped to raise the funds necessary for reconstruction. Next day a telegram from Paris announced that the group of banks which had considered the possibility of a reconstruction scheme announced their inability to do anything. Prior to this the most hopeful scheme had been the flotation of a Chinese Government loan—the Chinese Government having a third interest in the bank. This failed to eventuate, and to-day the position seems as hopeless as ever. At the last moment there appears in the *"Echo de Chine"*

KINEMA NOTES.

HOW TO DETECT AN AFFINITY.

One of those really delightful comedy pictures that ever and anon come to the Coronet Theatre is now screening in the "Love Expert." Charming, vivacious Constance Talmadge never played better than as the mischievous young miss who was taken away from school for attempting to test the theories of love diagnosis advanced in a cheap handbook. By observing her pulse she detects an affinity. "Babs," the "love expert" makes the alarming discovery that she is in love with Jim Winthrop, her father's agent and the fiance of her Aunt Emily. Winthrop has been engaged to Emily for six years, but cannot marry her—he has so many relatives to support. Babs has a brilliant idea. She eventually pairs off Winthrop's two sisters through match-making ingenuity; but his aunt Cordelia, somewhat deaf and near-sighted, is a problem. Babs has another brilliant idea when her father reproves her for light conduct. He reminds her that a man who compromises a woman must marry her. He would do this himself, like an honourable man. This seals his doom. During a hotel "hop" Babs manages to break Cordelia's specs. She then leads the helpless Cordelia up to Dad's room, stovers the half blind lady in, and puts her to bed. How this surprising young woman eventually attains her final object after disposing of all the awkward relatives and finds the love test successful makes one of the cleverest and amusing comedies yet screened.

an interesting proposal by a group of foreign sympathizers with France that the Boxer Indemnity might be utilized to place the bank on its feet once more. Whether the suggestion will even receive consideration we do not know, but the position is bad enough to warrant even the most extreme measures.

The point likely to be of most interest to shareholders is the reason for all the failures at reconstruction, and the case seems to have been adequately put some time ago by a French financial journal. At the present time half the difficulty experienced in the commercial world is due to what is fittingly called frozen credit. The money exists, but is tied up in cargo which is delayed in going into consumption and in cases of this sort there is every reason and every motive for financial assistance being given to institutions so situated. In the case of the Banque Industrielle the opinion that the bank's money was not tied up in such a way but that a great portion had been definitely lost. In the circumstances it would be impossible for other banks to advance money, as they would virtually be without security. As regards the loan proposed to be floated on behalf of the Chinese Government as one of the principal shareholders, a *rine qua non* was that adequate security should be forthcoming for its service and repayment. It is believed that negotiations to this end were entered upon, but were unsuccessful. All the news therefore, now seems to indicate that the resources available have been exhausted, and if one excludes the suggestion about the Boxer Indemnity there seems nothing in sight until we hear what the French Government has to say upon the subject. The actual position of the bank has, of course, to be cleared up a great deal further than at present; we have yet to hear of the outcome of such transactions as the loan for the development of the port of Pukou. Such information may already be in the possession of the French Government, and if so the expected debate may prove even more illuminating than is at present anticipated.

SAIYINGPUN SCHOOL.

ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE BRIGADE.

OLD BOYS' DIVISION INSPECTION.

The Saiyungpun School Old Boys' Division was inspected by Dr. Sir Eric Stewart Taylor on Sunday morning on the University Football Ground which was kindly loaned for the occasion. Amongst those present were Lady Taylor, Mr. Ho Kom Tong (Patron of the Division), Mr. E. Ralph (St. John Ambulance Commissioner Overseas), Mr. Morris (Superintendent of the Division), and others interested in Ambulance Work. After the inspection the following work was proceeded with:—

- (1) Squad Drill.
- (2) Stretcher Drill.—(a) In Open Order (b) In Close Order.
- (3) Collection of wounded by methods other than stretchers:—
 - a. Fireman's Lift.
 - b. One Putter.
 - c. Two Putter.
 - d. Shoulder Lift.
 - e. Two Handed Set.
- (4) Collection of wounded with improvised stretchers.
 - a. Coats and poles.
 - b. Ropes and puttees.
- (5) First Aid work with stretchers &c.
 - a. Bullet wound in head.
 - b. Compound fracture of right thigh.
 - c. Abdominal injury.
 - d. Compound fracture of upper left arm.
- (6) First Aid work with splints improvised from
 - a. poles.
 - b. rifles.
 - c. bayonets.
- (7) Restoration of the apparently drowned.

The inspecting Officer in his address to the men congratulated them on their appearance and expressed his satisfaction and appreciation of the work he had seen. He advised the men to continue with the division, not to let their interest abate, but to make the most of the opportunities offered by Mr. Ho Kom Tong through the Instructor Staff, Sgt. Jane, R. A. M. C., and to carry into their every day life the practical lessons and knowledge they had acquired.

It is noteworthy that this Division was started in 1915 through the generosity of Mr. Ho Kom Tong who has maintained it to the present time, and that the majority of the men on parade have been members since the inception of the division.

SHOOTING.

OPEN RIFLE COMPETITION.

WILTS MAN WINS GASCOIGNE CUP.

The All Comers' Competition in connection with the Rifle Meeting of the 2nd Batta. Wilshire Regiment, which was held at King's Park Range on Saturday, resulted as follows:—

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| 1st Sgt. Giles "B" Coy. | 65 |
| (Winner of Gascoigne Cup.) | |
| 2nd Sgt. Reeves "B" Coy. | 63 |
| 3rd Maj. Leslie-Smith | |
| 2/22nd Punj. | 62 |
| 4th Cpl. Talbot H.M.S. "Cairo" | 61 |
| 5th Pte. Piddock H.M.S. "Cairo" | 61 |
| 6th Pte. Woods "C" Coy. | 60 |
| 7th Pte. Marbury | 59 |
| H.M.S. "Cairo" | 59 |
| 8th L. C. Caville "C" Coy. | 58 |
| 9th Sapp. Newing K.E. | 58 |
| 10th Sgt. Whitbread "B" Coy. | 57 |
| 11th Pte. Mead "B" Coy. | 57 |
| 12th Cpl. Drew W. J. "D" Coy. | 57 |
| 13th Pte. Morris "C" Coy. | 57 |
| 14th L. C. Snook "C" Coy. | 57 |
| 15th Sgt. Smith "D" Coy. | 57 |

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VICTORIA HOSPITAL.

NEW MATERNITY WING.

IMPORTANT WORK COMMENCED.

Subject of recent unofficial questions in the Legislative Council, work on the new maternity wing of the Victoria Hospital will shortly begin. Considerable progress has already been made in preparing the site. Plans for the new wing have been modified on those of the maternity branch of the million dollar hospital at Peking. Mr. L. D. Martin, Assistant Engineer of the Public Works Department, having paid a special visit to the Capital before executing the plans. When completed the new wing will represent the latest thing in hospitals here. It has been decided not to add the wing to the present hospital building, but to erect a separate block on a site further west. To make this possible it is necessary to cut away part of the hill to the rear of the present building and to divert Chatham Path, which branches off Barker Road at a point some little distance beyond the present building. Instead of removing the earth cut away from the hill and dumping it into the harbour—a very expensive job requiring much labour—it has been found more convenient, if not actually cheaper, to dump the earth on the other side of Barker Road and build a retaining wall against it. On the new site so created a tennis court will be laid out, thus providing extra recreation facilities and adding to the beauty of the hospital environs. The work of diverting Chatham Path has already been completed, and the path is again in public use. The work of cutting the hill and laying out of the new tennis court is now well in hand. The new block, the plans of which a *China Mail* representative was permitted to see yesterday, will represent the latest thing in modern hospital architecture. Unlike many older hospitals all available space will be used and very little wasted in the unnecessary corridors so common a generation ago. The new block will have three storeys. The two top floors will contain carefully planned first, second and third class lying in wards, also a spacious labour ward and fully equipped operating theatre. Provision is made in the plans for six airy and well lighted first class sick rooms containing one bed each, five second class wards with two beds each, and one third class ward with four beds. The first class wards will have broad separate verandahs. The lavatory and bathroom accommodation, placed handy to the wards, will have the most modern fittings. In short, everything conducive to comfort and convenience will be provided.

The lower store of the building, a sort of basement formed by the retaining walls, will be high, airy and well lighted. It will be open the whole extent of the area, forming a roomy yet sheltered esplanade with an excellent view of the harbour.

The new block will provide accommodation for 20 patients in all classes at one time, while babies will be accommodated in a separate ward. Allowing roughly three weeks for each case, with the wards full all the time—though this is not expected—over three hundred cases can be dealt with at the hospital each year. This should easily meet the requirements of the European community of the Colony. A lift large enough to take a bed, will go through the building from the centre of the esplanade. Built with easy access to the labour ward and operating theatre, the lift will enable cases to be handled with a minimum loss of time.

The building is under contract for completion in eighteen months. As soon as it is ready for use, it is proposed to transfer the whole hospital to the new block and remodel the present building. If the old building cannot be brought completely up-to-date it can at least be greatly improved by removing some of the many corridors on the upper floor and extending the existing operating theatre and wards, which are at present found inadequate.

SPORT.

SCOTLAND.

An interesting game should be seen on the Police Recreation Club ground to-morrow, when as the result of a challenge, teams representing England and Scotland consisting of members of the above Club will meet. (Start is at 4 p.m.) and the teams are made up as follows:—

| ENGLAND. | SCOTLAND. |
|-----------|------------|
| Kelly. | Mait. |
| Knight. | A. Clark. |
| Cooper. | Robertson. |
| Grimmett. | J. Clark. |

"COOPERS" COME BACK.
In the return challenge match between "Liza" Cooper and W. Gerard, the former retrieved his former defeat, and had an easy winner by 8 points.
Score: Cooper 19 points, Gerard 11. Then "Liza" laughed.

R. G. A.

CRICKET FIXTURES.

SEASON 1921-22.

Following are the Cricket Fixtures of the Royal Garrison Artillery Cricket XI for the Season 1921-22.

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| November 5th, Kowloon C. C. K. C. C. ground (L). |
| November 12th, Craigengower C. C. C. C. C. ground (F). |
| November 19th, Chinese R. C. C. R. C. ground (L). |
| November 23rd, Navy. Navy ground (F). |
| November 26th, Hongkong C. C. H. K. C. C. ground (F). |
| December 3rd, Civil Service C. C. C. S. C. C. ground (L). |
| December 7th, Wiltshire H.K.C.C. ground (F). |
| December 10th, Indian R. C. Military ground (L). |
| January 7th, Chinese R. C. G. R. C. ground (L). |
| January 14th, Craigengower C. C. C. C. C. ground (L). |
| January 21st, University. University ground (L). |
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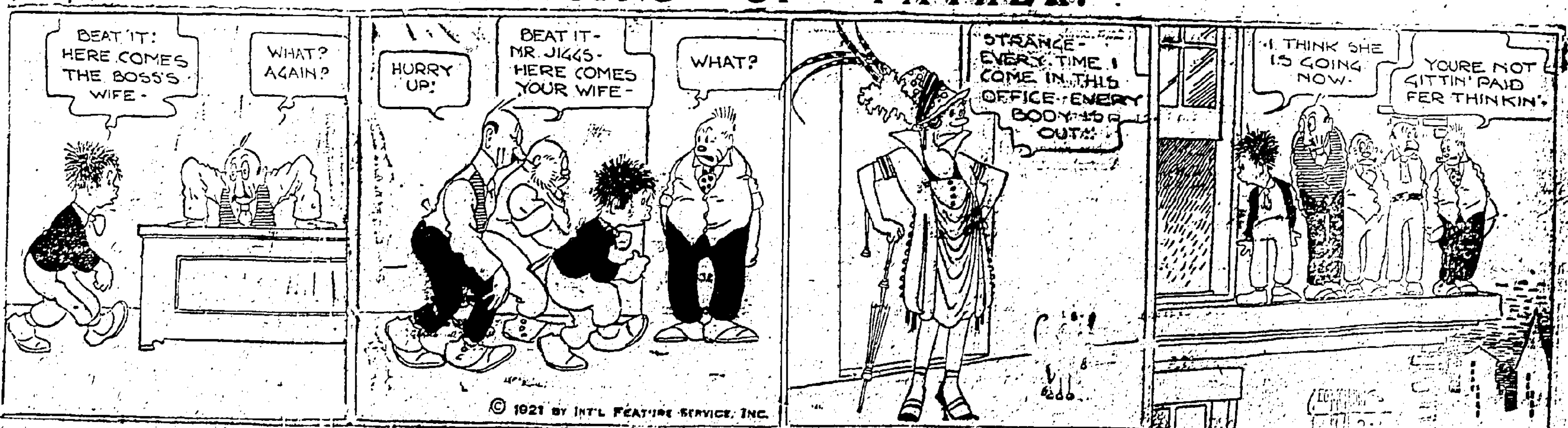
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